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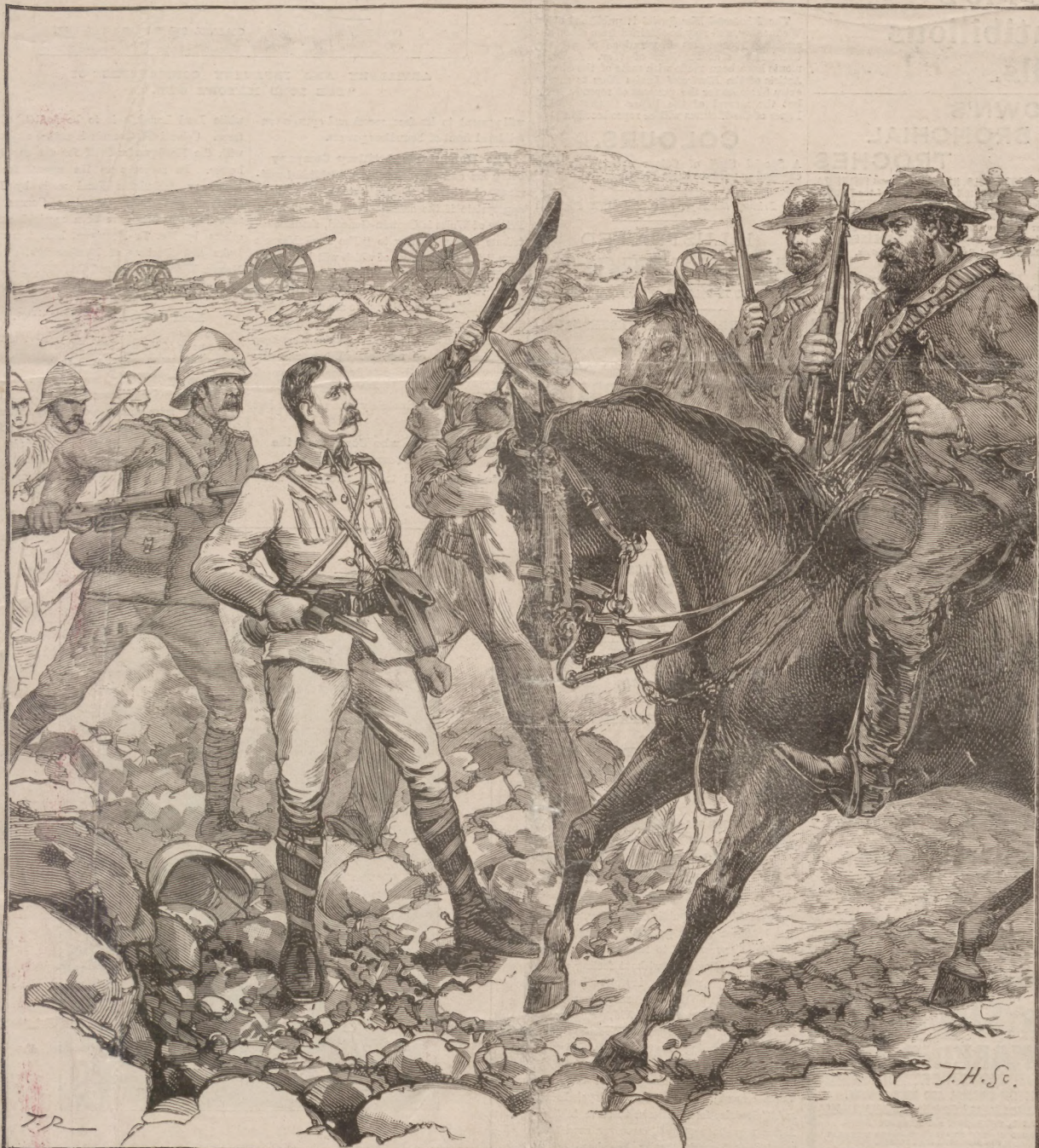
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**THE PAST AND PRESENT OF "FIGHTING BOBS."—SEE THIS WEEK'S "P.I.P."**

*See the "P.I.P." War Chronicle—the clearest of all—continued, with Battle Scenes and Maps, week by week in the "P.I.P."*



After the battle of the Tugela River a Boer force crossed the stream and demanded the surrender of the little party who surrounded the abandoned guns of Colonel Long's batteries. Colonel Bullock, who was in command, ordered the Boers back and refused to surrender, whereupon he was knocked down by one of the enemy with his clubbed Mauser. This man was instantly bayoneted by one of the Devons, the brave fellow paying the penalty for his devotion by being shot dead on the spot.

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## THE "P.I.P." NARRATIVE OF THE BOER WAR.

THE APPOINTMENTS OF LORDS ROBERTS AND KITCHENER RECEIVED WITH ENTHUSIASM BY THE TROOPS AT THE FRONT.

"BOBS" AND HIS DISTINGUISHED CHIEF OF STAFF FAST NEARING CAPE TOWN.

ENGLAND'S FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS AND YEOMANRY ENROLLING.

THE CITY'S NOBLE PATRIOTISM.

MAGNIFICENT LOYALTY OF THE COLONIES AND INDIA TO THE MOTHERLAND.

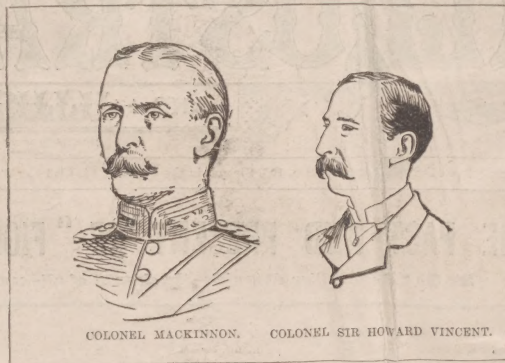
A NEW ERA for Great Britain began with New Year's Day. It was impossible to witness the enthusiasm with which the City of London Imperial Volunteer Regiment

was greeted by the public on Monday, when the first battalion of the gallant Volunteers bound for the War marched to the Guildhall to take the oath of allegiance, without feeling assured that a truly national impulse has been given to the Volunteer movement which should strengthen it tenfold, and render successful invasion impossible. Every man not belonging to the Army, Navy, or Militia should be induced to join the Yeomanry or Volunteers. The alacrity with which our Volunteers at home, as well as loyal Indians and Colonials, freely offered to serve in South Africa may be accepted, moreover, as a living proof that Imperial Unity has been accomplished. Thus, when a series of checks had made the situation seem gloomy at the Seat of War, this spontaneous and hearty response to

the Call to Arms has filled us with hope; and we start the New Year with this good omen—that, when the War is over and the British Flag flies once more over Pretoria, the British Empire

devoted himself to the arduous task of organising this strong force of 10,000 horsemen in the face of a grievous family bereavement.

Lord Valentia is to be second to Lord Chesham,



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will present to its foes, secret and open, a consolidated front of boundless powers.

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Lord Chesham, who Commands the Imperial Yeomanry Corps which is to proceed to the front, has nobly

while Lord Lonsdale is to be A.A.G. of the force. Colonel St. Quentin is acting at present with the Headquarter Staff for the supply of horses. In response to the appeal for the Yeomanry Ambulance Fund made by Lady Chesham and Lady Georgiana Curzon, the following amounts have been received among others by Mr. L. Neumann, hon. treasurer: Duke and Duchess of Marlborough, £1000; Messrs. Wernher, Beit, and Co., £1000; Messrs. S. Neumann and Co., £1000.

### Lord Roberts's Appointment.

The news of the appointment of Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener has been received with jubilation by the troops on the Orange River. The men have a marvellous amount of confidence in "Bobs," from whose presence every advantage is anticipated, from success in the field to a first-rate commissariat. At Cape Town also the utmost satisfaction is expressed not only by the officers and men, but among all classes of the



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THE INNS OF COURT VOLUNTEERS.

general public, at the appointment of Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener.—Reuter.

The transport *Dunstar Castle*, from Southampton for Table Bay, left Madeira at 9 p.m., Dec. 28. She has on board Lord Roberts, Lord Kitchener, and the Staff of the Sixth Division, and she will in all probability reach Cape Town in a few days.

#### "Bobs's" Military Record,

summed up pictorially by a P.I.P. Artist on another page, is manfully traced by himself in his autobiography, "Forty-one Years in India." His grandest exploit was the famous March from Kabul to Kandahar during the Afghan War. But Lord Roberts, astute as he is brave, has been a fighter all his life.

#### He Won the Victoria Cross

while the Indian Mutiny was raging. The circumstances under which he gained this gaudon were thus set forth—

"Lieutenant Roberts's gallantry has on every occasion been most marked. On following up the retreating enemy on Jan. 2, 1858, at Rhodagunge he saw in the distance two Sepoys going away with the standard. Lieutenant Roberts put spurs to his horse and overtook them just as they were about to enter a village. They immediately turned round and presented their muskets at him, and one of the men pulled the trigger, but, fortunately, the cap snapped, and the standard-bearer was cut down by the gallant young officer, and the standard taken possession of by him. He also on the same day cut down another Sepoy, who was standing at bay, with musket and bayonet, keeping off a Sowar. Lieutenant Roberts rode to the assistance of the horseman, and, rushing at the Sepoy, with one blow of his sword cut him across the face, killing him on the spot."

Happily, Lord Roberts's wariness and faculty for careful and expeditious organisation are matched by Lord Kitchener's abilities in the same direction. Their plan of campaign, matured, be sure, on the voyage out, will very soon be put into execution. It may here be added that the Duke of Portland has purchased

a magnificent charger, which he proposes presenting to Lord Kitchener of Khartoum, Chief of the Staff to Lord Roberts.

#### The Queen's Message Delighted Besieged Ladysmith.

By Heliograph Reuter's agent at Frere Camp learnt from Ladysmith on Boxing Day that all



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the troops in camp at Ladysmith passed a merry Christmas. They were greatly delighted with the kind and thoughtful message from the Queen-Empress.

General White was quite well again.

#### General Joubert Resumes Command, but Ladysmith is of Good Cheer.

We have had very interesting communications from the *Standard's* Special Correspondent in

Ladysmith. In his despatch dated Dec. 28 he said—

There is no change to record in the general situation, beyond the fact that, since the return to the front of General Joubert, the enemy have thrown greater energy into the bombardment.

Their two 6-in. guns, aided by the howitzers and quick-firers, persist in the ineffectual attempt to reduce the town.

The rains have come at last, and, though they may tend to delay the advance of the Relief Column, they are more than welcome, if only because they may check the outbreak among the garrison of dysentery and enteric fever.

On Christmas Day the enemy fired a shell into camp containing a plum-pudding, and bearing the legend, "The Compliments of the Season." There were other substantial signs that they are still in force all around us.

On Boxing Day fully a hundred of the women in the Boer camp made the ascent of Bulwana Hill to watch the furious bombardment. Last night there was a repeated and heavy fusillade among the enemy's lines. It was impossible for us to tell whether they intended to assault, or were merely suffering from a bad attack of nerves, but not a shot was fired in return.

At dawn Captain Lambton's naval guns sent three shells among the guard as it was withdrawing from the fort on Bulwana Hill. Although, of course, anxious to be relieved, and weary of the monotonous confinement, everybody in the town is cheerful and confident.

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#### General Buller

has been preparing his reinforced Army Corps at Frere Camp for the renewed endeavour to relieve Ladysmith. Meantime he is strengthened by the arrival at Estcourt of Major-General Sir Charles Warren.

With regard to the Boer movements across the Tugela, the "Central News" man informed us on New Year's Eve that

"Our scouts have learned that the Boers are making important alterations in their plans for the defence of the Tugela River. Yesterday they brought in the news of the formation of a new Boer camp to the west. A caravan of thirty-one wagons was seen descending from the plateau beyond the river into a hilly *cul-de-sac*, where, if a camp were safely established, it would be quite invisible.

"Immediately upon the receipt of this news a party of Thorneycroft's Horse went out for further observation. They counted altogether sixty-three wagons making for the spot chosen. Behind them was a buggy, drawn by four cream-coloured horses, and accompanied by a mounted escort. This was presumably the equipage of General Joubert.

"This new Boer camp is on the Upper Tugela, towards Springfield. The movement taken, with the prolonged silence from Umbulwane, shows that a considerable alteration has been made in the Boer line of resistance."

#### The Boer Version of the Battle of Colenso

was chiefly interesting for the account given of the capture of gallant Colonel Bullock (who spent Christmas a captive with some thousands of other Britishers at Pretoria).

"When the British made their first attempt to recover the captured batteries a body of horse dashed up, but before they reached their goal our cannon opened fire, sending nine shells into their midst and scattering them.

"Colonel Bullock, who is a prisoner, when asked to surrender, refused, and the Boers knocked him down with their fists. He then drew his revolver, whereupon another Boer struck him to the ground, hitting him over the head with a rifle, and he was thus forced to surrender."

A brave detachment of Boer mounted infantry subsequently swam their horses across the river to capture the deserted guns we lost through Colonel Long's temerity. According to the Boer account, the captured batteries were the 14th and 66th.

#### Colonel Dalgety's Occupation of Dordrecht.

A British force under Colonel Dalgety, of the Cape Mounted Rifles, has occupied Dordrecht, which was recently proclaimed Republican territory by the Boers. The occupation followed upon the successful skirmishes which a patrol under Captain de Montmorency, V.C., 21st Lancers, had with the Boers, and was not opposed, the Boer officials having fled. Colonel Dalgety's force was mainly composed of Colonial troops. A quantity of oxen, wagons, and ponies was captured.

We hear splendid accounts of the dash and go of the devoted Australians and Canadians.

Captain de Montmorency with a reconnoitring party encountered the enemy on Dec. 30 at



After Numerous Adventures Mr. Winston Churchill landed from the *Induna* at Durban on Dec. 23. He was carried shoulder-high from the steamer, and conveyed to town from the docks in a jiriksha, drawn by a band of enthusiastic admirers and followed by a large crowd cheering and waving Union Jacks.

Labuschangnes Nek, eight miles north of Dordrecht. After a six hours' fight, during which heavy reinforcements, including artillery, were brought to the Boers, Captain Montmorency assumed the defensive at Dordrecht.

#### General French Beats the Boers at Colesberg.

General French continued to keep the enemy on the move. He pressed them closely on Saturday and Sunday last, giving them no time to make a prolonged stand.

Last Sunday night all our cavalry, artillery, and infantry, the latter riding in wagons to increase the general mobility of the advance,

started upon a night march with the object of turning the enemy's right flank.

The operations were brilliantly successful. When day broke we were within striking distance of the enemy.

Our infantry and field-batteries at once made a feint attack upon the Boer front, and while this was proceeding our cavalry and light artillery got right round the enemy's right flank, as arranged. The Boers were utterly surprised, and, finding their retreat threatened, they fled in disorder to the eastward, leaving Colesberg in our hands.

#### British Deserter's Story.

A man named Greener, formerly Sergeant-Major in the British Balloon Department, fell into our hands, having been shot in the leg at Magersfontein.

He deserted from Aldershot in 1893, and is believed to have been for some time in the service of the Boers.

He says he instructed the Boers in trench-making. He states that there were 23,000 of the enemy at Magersfontein, of whom 21,000 were engaged on the day of the battle. The trenches extend fifteen miles.

#### Lord Methuen's Column.

Thus the *Standard's* Special Correspondent—

MONDIE RIVER, Dec. 25.

I have just had an interesting conversation with a Colonial officer of large experience. In his opinion—as in that of most persons here who are qualified to judge—Lord Methuen's Column has done marvellously well, considering the extraordinary strength of the positions taken up by the enemy, in each of the four battles since the advance from Orange River. The only incident to be regretted or condemned was the march in quarter-column of the Highland Brigade. But even that movement was well conceived originally, and, with a little better fortune, might have resulted in a signal success. It is, however, almost impossible for Lord Methuen, with the means at present at his command, to drive the enemy, by a direct frontal attack, from such a position as Magersfontein has now become.

#### Position at Kimberley.

The latest news received at Cape Town from Kimberley is to the effect that the food supply is plentiful, and that there is an abundance of water. The town, we are assured, is capable of holding out for another three months.

#### The Latest Mafeking Sortie.

Reuter's Pretoria agent stated on Dec. 29—

Three British soldiers who were taken prisoners at Malopo state that Captain Vernon Sandford (Captains Vernon and Sandford), of Colonel Baden-Powell's Staff, was killed during the engagement, while Lord Edward Cecil and Lord Charles Cavendish-Bentley were wounded. The prisoners also state that the object of the sortie was to capture the Boer cannon, and the British losses were very severe. But this news must be taken with a big grain of salt.

#### Mr. Winston Churchill on Oom Paul's Terms of Peace.

Mr. Winston Churchill (who recently escaped from Pretoria) has informed the *Morning Post* that the Boers expect Great Britain to make peace on the basis of the cession to the Boers of Natal, Kimberley, and the northern parts of Cape Colony, and the payment of a £20,000,000 indemnity. The complete independence of the Republic is also to be acknowledged.

#### The "Morning Post"

publishes a telegram from Mr. Winston Spencer Churchill, at Lorenzo Marquez, under date Dec. 21, giving an account of his escape. In this he says: "On the afternoon of the 12th the Transvaal Government's Secretary for War informed me that there was little chance of my release. I therefore

#### Resolved to Escape

the same night, and left the State Schools prison at Pretoria by climbing the wall when the sentries' backs were turned momentarily. I walked through the streets of the town without any disguise, meeting many burghers; but I was not challenged in the crowd. I got through the pickets of the Town Guard and struck the Delagoa Bay railroad. I walked along it, evading the watchers



About 5 p.m. the Boers, seeing that the field was clear and that the naval guns on the distant ridge could not shell them for fear of hitting their own men, sent three men, who, riding out from the kopje, made for the donga, in full view of the helpless batteries. One of the trio carried a white flag, presumably to cover their demand for the surrender of the men. Two of the three were instantly shot from the donga, and the third rode back to the kopje.

#### BATTLE OF TUGELA RIVER.



Lieutenant Ponsonby, of Thorneycroft's, was carrying a wounded man, when the latter received a fresh and mortal wound. The Boers then fired on Lieutenant Ponsonby, who was slightly wounded, but escaped after shooting a Boer dead at close quarters. He received an ovation when he reached the camp.

#### : LIEUTENANT PONSONBY'S HEROISM AT COLENZO.

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The Gordons gallantly worked their way to the front under a galling fire, and remained for a long time at a close distance in front of the Boer trenches, which were defended with wire entanglements.

#### THE DAWN ATTACK AT MAGERSFONTEIN.

at the bridges and culverts. I waited for a train beyond the first station. The out 11.10 goods train from Pretoria arrived, and before it had reached full speed I boarded with great difficulty, and

##### Hide Myself Under Coal-Sacks.

I had a small store of good water with me. The Boers searched the train at Komati Poort, but did not search deep enough, so after sixty hours of misery I came safely here. I jumped from the train before dawn, and sheltered during the day in a small wood

In Company with a Huge Vulture, who displayed a lively interest in me. I walked

and huts. My progress was very slow, and chocolate is not a satisfying food.

##### The Outlook was Gloomy,

but I persevered, with God's help, for five days. The food I had to have was very precarious. I was lying up at daylight and walking on at night-time, and meanwhile my escape had been discovered and my description telegraphed everywhere. All the trains were searched,

##### Everyone was on the Watch for Me.

Four wrong people were arrested. On the sixth day I managed to board a train beyond Middel-

bushness an unflinching and uncompromising prosecution of the war."

##### The Maharajah Scindia of Gwalior,

who is an honorary colonel in the British Army, has offered his own services and those of 1000 Imperial Service troops, besides a large number

of cavalry horses, transport wagons, and animals. He says he would be willing to serve anywhere, even at the base.

Another example of Indian loyalty is described in "World Wags."

##### Official Message.

The following was posted at the War Office on Tuesday—  
From General, Cape Town, to Secretary of State for War.

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 1, 1900.

Methuen's position is unchanged.

French reports (2 p.m.) to-day, from Coleskop, by heliograph. The message begins: Leaving at Rensburg, holding the enemy in front with half 1st Suffolk and section of R.H.A., I started from there at five o'clock in the afternoon on Dec. 31, taking with me five squadrons, half of the 2nd Berkshire, eighty mounted infantry—carried on wagons—and ten guns.

I halted four hours at Maider's Farm, and at 3.30 this morning occupied the kopje overlooking and to the west of Colesberg.

The enemy's outposts were taken completely by surprise.

At daylight we shelled the laager and enfiladed to the right of the enemy's position.

The artillery fire in reply was very hot from 15-pounder—with Royal Laboratory ammunition—and other guns.

We silenced the guns on the enemy's right flank, demonstrating with our cavalry and guns to the north of Colesberg towards the Junction, where a strong laager of the enemy are holding the hill and position south-east of Colesberg as far as Junction.

Our position cuts the lines of retreat via the road bridge.

Some 1000 Boers with two guns are reported returning to Norvalds.

All Rimington's scouts proceeded towards Achttertang yesterday morning.

Our casualties were slight—about three killed; few wounded.

Details later.

##### Colonel Pilcher's Success: Australians and Canadians in Action.

General Sir F. Forestier-Walker cabled on Tuesday to the War Office as follows—

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 2.

"Following message received this morning from Lieutenant-Colonel Pilcher through General Officer commanding Orange River. Begins—

"I completely defeated the hostile commando at Sunnyside this day.

"I am taking larger and forty prisoners, besides killed and wounded.

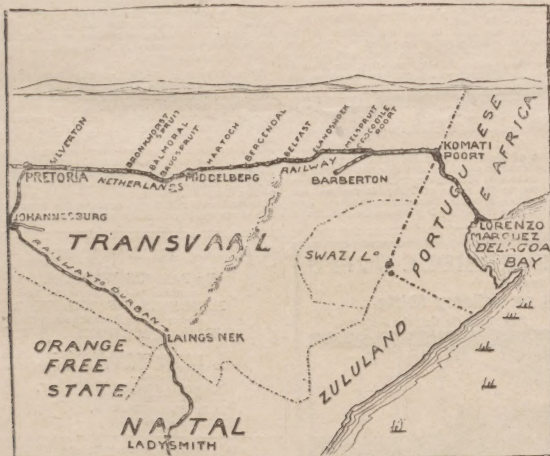
"Our casualties—

"Dangerously Wounded.—Lieutenant Adie, Queensland Mounted Infantry.

"Killed.—Privates McLeod, A. Rose, Queensland Mounted Infantry; Private Jones, Victoria.

"Am in camp at Dover Farm. Ends.

"Dover Farm, twenty miles to the N.W. of Belmont; Sunnyside, thirty miles."



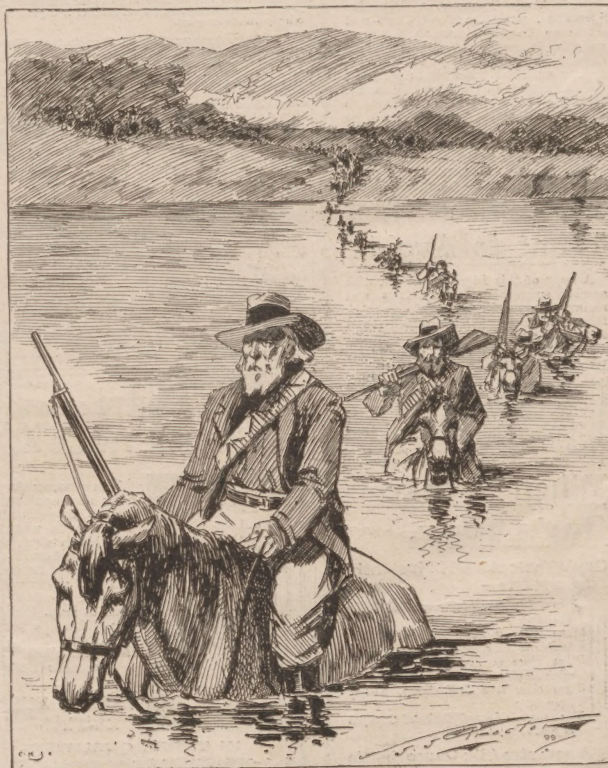
Map showing the railway from Delagoa (the port nearest to the Transvaal) to Pretoria, a distance of about three hundred miles. Lorenzo Marques is the name of the town commanding the harbour, and has rightly been termed one of the most important stations on the south-west coast of Africa.

on at dusk. There were no more trains that night. The danger of meeting the guards of the railway-line continued, but I was obliged to follow it, as I had no compass or map. I had to make wide detours to avoid the bridges, stations,

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## HOW THE WORLD WAGS.

**THE QUEEN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE** to the front was: "I WISH YOU ALL, MY BRAVE SOLDIERS, A HAPPY CHRISTMAS DAY. GOD BLESS AND PROTECT YOU ALL." New Year's greetings have been interchanged between the Queen and the people of Kimberley. Her Majesty records her admiration of the determined and gallant defence, though "I regret," the message continues, "the unavoidable loss of life incurred."

Her Majesty's New Year Gifts to the poor of Windsor, Holy Trinity, and Clewer were distributed in the morning at the Riding School, Windsor Castle. There were six hundred recipients of Her Majesty's seasonable bounty, and within an hour over a ton and a half of meat, divided into joints of from three to six pounds each, had been apportioned among the poor, who also received upwards of quantities of from one to three hundredweights. The total value of these Royal gifts amounted to about £200. The Queen likewise contributed £100 to the Royal Clothing Club, which has been established at Windsor for many years.

The Prince of Wales, who has taken the deepest interest in the movement from the commencement, has consented to be Colonel-in-Chief of the Imperial Yeomanry now being organised for service in South Africa.

His Royal Highness has sent a cheque for one hundred guineas towards the fund for defraying the expenses incurred by the force over and above the Government grant.

The Duke of Connaught's appointment as Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's forces in Ireland in place of Lord Roberts will meet with universal approval. The Duke is an excellent soldier, has seen service in many parts of the world, and may be expected to be a capable and efficient military administrator. He is likely to be very popular in Ireland, and a happy omen for his appointment is that he alone of the Duke of Connaught has been more than thirty-one years in the Army, his first appointment, as a Lieutenant of Royal Engineers, having been made in June 1868. He was the first Royal

H.M.S. "MAGICIENNE" CAPTURING  
A GERMAN STEAMER OFF DELAGOA BAY.

Prince to begin his military career in the lowest commissioned rank. His subsequent regimental service was passed in the Royal Artillery, the Rifle Brigade (a battalion of which he commanded), and the 7th Hussars; and he attained the rank of Major-General in 1880. Of Lieutenant-Generals in 1889, and of General in 1893. His Staff appointments hitherto have been: Brigade-Major at Aldershot, Assistant Adjutant-General at Gibraltar, Brigadier-General at Aldershot, Major-General in the Egyptian Expedition of 1882, Major-General in Bengal, Lieutenant-General commanding in District, Lieutenant-General commanding at the Southern District, and Personal Aide-de-Camp to the Queen. The last post is still held by His Royal Highness, who is in his fiftieth year. The Duke was very anxious to go to the front in South Africa, but the authorities did not consider it expedient to comply with his request.

The Rev. Arthur Robins, Chaplain to the Queen and the Household Troops at Windsor, and popularly known throughout the Empire as the "Soldiers' Bishop," died on Dec. 24 of pneumonia. Mr. Robins was born in London, at Covent Garden, where his father carried on business as an auctioneer. He was a pupil of Professor Pitt-Rivers' school at Clapham, having for fellow-pupils, among others, such distinguished names as Darwin, Huxley, Herschell, the Rev. Montagu Villiers, and Sir Frederick Dixson-Hartland. While at Hertford College, Oxford, where he went subsequently, he gained a great reputation as a polemicist, on one occasion walking from Westminster Bridge to Brighton in three hours, having missed the direct road and thus extending his walk to fifty-four miles. He was ordained in 1880 by the great Samuel Wilberforce. When the late Mr. Carter



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The Soldiers' Bishop.

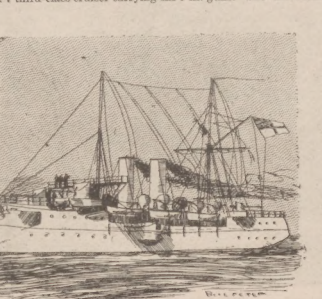
held the Vice-Chancellorship of Eton, Mr. Robins went as his curate to Burnham, Bucks. Eventually he was presented by the Bishop of Winchester with the living in Sturminster, Southampton, which he exchanged with the Rector of Holy Trinity, Windsor, thus entering upon the work which he carried on for seven-and-twenty years previous to his death.

Viscount Belgrave, who succeeds to the Dukedom of Westminster, was until recently A.D.C. to Sir Alfred Milner, and is now at the front. He was born in 1879, and is the eldest son of the late Earl Grosvenor and Sibylla Mary, who married Mr. George Wyndham, M.P., daughter of the ninth Earl of Stairborough. The Viscount is therefore a grandson of the late Duke. The crest of the Duke of Westminster were entered on Thursday, Dec. 23, at the country churchyard of Eccleston, which is picturesquely situated overlooking the river Dee, and is not far distant from Eaton Hall. The attendance was limited to relatives and members of the household. Upon the massive coffin was a wreath of immortelles sent by Her Majesty, with an autograph card bearing the inscription: "A mark of sincere regret and regard



Viscount BELGRAVE, The New Duke of Westminster, and eldest son of Victoria R.I." The coffin-plate bore the inscription: "Hugh Lupus Grosvenor, first Duke of Westminster. Born 13th October, 1825; died 22nd December, 1899."

H.M.S. "Magicienne," which captured off Delagoa Bay a German steamer having on board some German officers and men intent on a little tourist trip in the direction of Colenso via Pretoria, is said "Blue Peter," a third-class cruiser carrying six 6-in. guns. She can steam



at from fifteen to sixteen knots, and though of no great fighting value, is, as she has shown, of considerable utility for blockading purposes.

Major-General Sir Herbert Chermiside. Under quite dramatic circumstances did the nuptials take place recently between Major-General Sir Herbert Chermiside and Miss Webb.

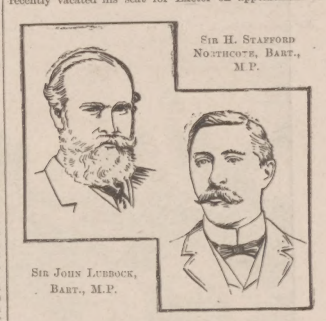
The ceremony was of more than passing interest from the fact that the bridegroom was leaving England almost immediately to command a brigade in South Africa. Major-General Chermiside has a brilliant record. His G.C.M.G. was conferred on him in recognition of his services during the international occupation of Crete, when his masterly conduct of affairs at that trying crisis was fully recognised by the several Governments immediately interested. His service has been chiefly in the East; he was military attaché in the Russo-Turkish War, 1877-78, and was afterwards employed in the delimitation of the Turkish frontier. Subsequently he joined the Egyptian army, was with the expedition in 1892, and actively engaged in the Sudan, 1894-98, including the Suakin Red Sea Littoral, and at Sarras when it was the extreme frontier on the Upper Nile. He was Consul at Khartoum, 1888-89, being appointed a year later Military Attaché at Constantinople. This post he held for six years, until he went to Crete, where he assumed the onerous duties of a Consul.

The List of New Year's Honours is very short, and contains fewer names of interest than usual, doubtless on account of the war. The list comprises two new Peers, three additions to the ranks of Privy Counsellors, and thirteen Knight-hoods, but the baronetage receives no fresh creation. The two freshly made peers are the Hon. Sir H.



MAJOR-GENERAL CHERMISIDE.

Stafford Northcote, Bart., C.B., and the Right Hon. Sir John Lubbock, Bart., M.P., and both these promotions will be at once and unanimously accepted. Sir Stafford Northcote is the second son of the Earl of Iddelburgh, himself so long and familiarly known as Sir Stafford Northcote, and recently vacated his seat for Exeter on appointment as



THE NEW PEERS.

Governor of Bombay. Born in 1846, he was formerly a clerk in the Foreign Office, was attached to Lord Ripon's mission to arrange the Alabama Treaty, was secretary to the Commission under the Treaty of Washington from 1871 to 1872, private secretary to Lord Salisbury on his embassy to Constantinople in 1876-77, and private secretary to his father, then Chancellor of the Exchequer, from 1877 to 1880. Sir S. Northcote has also held office as Financial Secretary of the War Office, Surveyor-General of Ordnance, and unpaid Charity Commissioner. In 1873 he married Alice, adopted daughter of Lord Mount-Stephen. He has no heir. Sir John Lubbock is even more widely known. By the public he is generally remembered as the author of the Act which secured Bank Holidays, Sir John is equally distinguished as a banker, a scientist, and an authority on currency. Born in 1834, he was educated at Eton, but went to no University, though he now possesses the honorary D.C.L. of Oxford and the honorary LL.D. of Cambridge, Dublin, and Edinburgh. After sitting for Maidstone for ten years, he has represented London University, of which he was Vice-Chancellor for seven years, since 1880. At the age of thirty-one he succeeded his father as fourth Baronet. He is the head of the banking firm of Roberts, Lubbock, and Co., a director of various companies, and president of the Central Association of Bankers. Sir J. Lubbock has been twice married. His heir is Mr. John Birkbeck Lubbock, who was born in 1868, and was educated at Eton and Balliol. The new Privy Counsellors are Viscount Cromer, G.C.B., Lord Rowton, K.C.V.O., C.B., and Mr. William W. B. Beach, M.L.

Loyalty of Indian Princes.—Responding the other evening to the toast of his health, proposed by the Viceroy, the Nizam of Hyderabad said that of proudest title he possessed was that of Her Majesty's faithful ally. He pursued his army, and his own sword were every ready to defend the Queen's Empire.

Hyderabad, the central part of the region called "The Deccan," south of the Mahatras nations and west of the Godavary River, lies between the Bombay and Madras Presidencies, and is larger than England and Wales. The population is five millions, the majority being Hindus, but the ruling families are Mohammedans, and of the Mogul descent. The Nizam, deriving his hereditary power from ancestors who were vassals of the Mogul Empire, was an early ally of the British in India, which protected him from the Mahatras. He is about thirty-two years of age, and has more than once proffered his troops for service in any hostilities in which Great Britain might be involved. The Maharajah of Gwalior has also asked permission to serve at the Cape, either on Lord Roberts's staff or at the base. He has offered to send troops, horses, and transport to South Africa. In addition, the rulers of Kashmir (Mysore) and Jolapur have offered horses and troops, and the Maharajah of Marwar places every horse in his State at the disposal of the Government.

The World's Fair, at the Agricultural Hall, is affording diversified amusement to hosts of holiday folk. For twenty years its great popularity has been increasing. It is a marvelous show, and includes a grand free circus, Pantry, menagerie of the high race and Blondin's successor, (Aerial Flying Wonders). There are, in addition, numerous other amusements, amongst which will be found a splendid Panorama Tableau of Natural History, a magnificent Ball-Room, a first-class band, an efficient M.C., a variety of other amusements, and a large number of side-shows and novelties of every description.

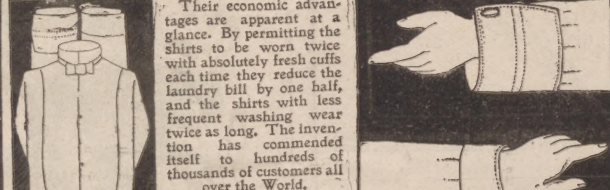


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IT was a warm night in February; there was the scent of narcissus and violets already on the air, and the Arno was silvered by the light of a full moon, as it flowed under the arches of the Ponte Vecchio.

A small boy was leaning over the parapet and gazing at the water when he ought to have been in bed. But his bed was only a bit of sucking, with some dead maize-leaves underneath it; and he liked better the radiant moonlight and the movements of the fresh, clear, pungent night air. It was past midnight by an hour, and except a few carriages, there was little traffic on the northern quay, where he stood wishing and dreaming in a vague half-unconscious way, for he was a child who had once been happy. That time seemed far away.

His family named him a fine and ancient one, but he was only called Lillino now. His parents were dead; he had only an old great-grandmother, bedridden in the one room in Oltremo, where he lived with her. He kept her and himself by selling matches, and he was as thin as a match himself, but was a pretty boy, with a great brown eye and his loose auburn curls, and such a wistful, pleading smile, that hardly any girl or woman passed him without buying, and no dog without a kindly dab of the tongue.

He was not like the town *monello*, who trades and traffics, and begs, and teases, and skips and shouts, in the Italian streets. He was always shy and silent, and shrank from his noisy fellow-vendors, and never said a word to those who bought of him, but only lifted his heavy long-lashed eyelids and, if the gaze which met his in return was a kind one, smiled.

His boisterous companions jeered and joked and nicknamed him the "little gentleman," but even they were not very rough with him. There was something in his looks which charmed their tongues and tied their hands, a subtle difference which impressed respect on their rude tempers. One of them called him "Il bimbo Gesù."

His mother had died at his birth, and his father had shot himself after losing all he possessed at a gambling table. The offspring of a secret marriage, the child was left to his foster-mother, a good woman, who cultivated a little farm on the hills above Impruneta.

She and her spouse maintained him for seven years; then the husband deserted her and emigrated, and a year later she was killed by the steam-train near the locomotive, and there was only her old mother left, the aged creature whom he called his "Nonna."

She was turned out of their little farm, and clinging to the child, and the child to her, they went down into the city to live, and she mended silken hose and he sold matches.

It was only in this last year, his tenth year, that the veins of her legs swelled so much that they kept her bedridden, and her sight failed her also, and the matches became their only support. One by one all the little objects that his Nonna had brought with her into the town were sold, and there remained nothing but the ragged clothes which covered them both and a few miserable necessities. The Nonna, and there was food of hunger and of cold but for the charity of those who were not much better off than themselves, and for the occasional alms which ladies passing in the streets, arrested by the pathetic beauty of Lillino's face, put into his small thin hand. This was not begging, for everyone took a box of matches, and the child that if they did not they would cause him trouble with the police, for in theory begging is forbidden.

Lillino's body was in the streets, but his soul was in the country. It was three years since he had seen it, but he had never ceased to think of it. "Let us go back, Nonna. Let us go back," he said continually. But the poor old bedridden woman could only cry feebly and answer, "Oh, my dearie, who would take us there? Who would keep us when we got there? We are here, and here we must abide. Perhaps if the Saints would help me outright, somebody

would be kinder to you and carry you out of this cruel place—all stones and noise and clutter, and full of food and drink for those whose bellies are full already, and never a bit or drop for those who starve in it."

"Do not die, Nonna," said Lillino, clasping his arms about her. "Do not die and go away into the earth. Pray, pray, do not. I have only you."

"My poor little one, and what good am I?" she murmured, laying her hand in blessing on his head. "An old log, not even good for burning, for I have no sap left in me. Alas I shall die. But she was all he had to care for, this bundle of rags under her ragged coverlet, and he had known her all his life; she had been always exceedingly good to him, and in that time, though already aged, had been a strong and hearty woman; and his earliest memories had been of merrily running beside her, with her hand on his skin, over cut water-cresses in the ditches, or drive the ducks to the rivulet, or gather olives, chestnuts, blackberries, wood-strawberries, or do any one of those other lighter labours which occupy the old people and the young children in the fields and woods, and make everybody useful from three years old to ninety."

Now Nonna was of use no more, and Lillino tried with all his might to do up to the utmost to be of use enough for two. He never doubted that he belonged to her, or, rather, he never thought about it; he had always seen her near him, and he had always heard Mamma Rosa, whom he had been taught to believe was his mother, call her grandmother. No one had ever told him that he had patrician blood in his veins. Mamma Rosa had always intended to tell him the story of his parentage when he should be older, but death had come to her in crushing suddenness, grinding her spine under the accursed iron wheels, and like so many others of her class, she had not set her house in order while yet there had been time.

Even if he had known of his birth it would have made but little difference to him in his helpless childhood; he would not have been less poor, less hungry, less friendless, and a certain pride and virility which were underneath his feeble ignorance and impotence would have kept him from seeking out those to whom he had been disowned and abandoned.

This poor old creature, scarcely alive, except in the warmth of her affections and the pains of her limbs, was all he had on earth, and he clung to her with the tenacity of a tender and timid nature.

His idea was that if only he could get Mamma Rosa back to the country she would become well and strong once more, and able to walk out in those green places and among those grassy streamlets which neither she nor he had ever forgotten.

"I am sure she would get well," he thought, as he leaned over the stone parapet and watched the fog glide away under the moon.

But how to carry her there? She was like a log, as she said, with limbs which were wholly useless, without power to move any part of her except her lips, dependent on her neighbours for every bit and drop. Nothing but a miracle could ever raise her again on her feet; but Lillino believed in miracles, or, more truly speaking, miracle seemed natural to him—a constant part of daily life.

True, he saw them no more in the streets and the homes, but he saw them in the frescoes, in the sculptures, in the carvings in the churches; and he thought the halt and the blind and the sick could all be cured if someone would only spend a minute and good enough to do it. But all he saw and heard in the unkind streets began to make him feel that the real meaning of miracles was money; that strange, dirty, ugly paper thing which was, he saw, so powerful in such amazing ways.

What was it, if not a miracle, that a scrap of soiled paper, crumpled and dog-eared, could him bread for the hungry and wine for the weak? Even those black-rimmed bronze coins—how much they could do, only passing from hand to hand! Who gave so much money to some people, and left others with none at all? This disparity seems as strange to Lillino as it has seemed to so many seers and sages, and he had spent many a night in the streets, wondering how it was, and how it could be repaired, try how the seers and sages may to redress the uneven balance.

Lillino had not much understanding, and Mamma Rosa had been too busy herself all day long to attend to his education, either moral or mental. He proposed his way as he could to his few ideas, and his thoughts were confused and tangled. But these two were clear to him: Nonna would get well if she went back to the country, and with money she could be taken there—carried, he was not sure how, but in some way, back to those vineyards and pastures and running brooks where his babyhood had been spent, and her whole life had passed. But the extremely scanty means he ever gained did not even suffice to keep life in himself and her, and pay for their one room under the roof.

This night, as he leaned over the river-wall, the moon was at the full, and the water was high; it had a strange attraction for him as it flowed towards the weir, reflecting the long double lines of the lamps. He came away from it reluctantly, not to be scolded by the person of the house for being out too late. He went up the Via Serragli and into the Via delle Caldei, one of the oldest in Oltremo, and towards a black, grim house of stone, opposite the wall and trees of a part of the Torrignani Gardens.

This was where he lived, with many others as poor, and the garret which he and the old woman rented was a mere nook under the eaves. As he drew near it, on the moonlit flange of the old street, he saw an object shining; his feet touched it, he picked it up; it was a like bag of gold, a chain would snap; he opened it; he saw it was full of coins—such coins as he had never seen in his life, except in

little bowls in money-changers' windows. The Madonna or Mamma Rosa had sent it.

Nothing else occurred to him. It was a miracle, an answer to his prayer!

He slipped his hand which had closed on it into his ragged shirt, and took his homeward way, his ears singing and his brain turning, and his heart throbbing in his perspiration that Someone in Heaven, Someone had heard and answered his prayer! Surely it was Mamma Rosa, sitting now beside the Madonna. He thought he heard her saying on the Madonna's right hand: "Dear and Holy One, let me send something to my little Lillino." Oh, yes, he felt sure that it was Mamma Rosa. Had she not always given him all that she had? And did she not know how much he wanted to take Nonna back to the country? Mamma Rosa had always taught him, indeed, that what was other people's property he must never touch or take. But this thing was no one's; it was lying in his path; it was plainly put there by some merciful hand; it was a miraculous gift, a gift of the heavenly host, who were so much kinder than these on earth.

He climbed the steep stone stairs, ninety-three from the pavement to attic, dark, slippery, foul-smelling, full of dust and mud and cobwebs; he hugged the little purse in his breast; he smiled to himself radiantly as he climbed up the steps one by one with tired aching feet. He opened the wooden door by its latch and gently entered the room, for Nonna might be asleep, and it would have hurt to startle her, even to tell her such good tidings.

Through the unglazed hole in the wall, which served as a window, the moon rays were shining, coming over the Torrignani trees; they shone on the wretched bed of leaves and sacking; the old woman was lying on her back. Her face looked very peaceful; lean, yellow and wrinkled though it was.

She is asleep, he thought; it would be wrong to awaken her even to hear of the gift from Mamma Rosa. Nonetheless he ran across the brick floor and sat down on his own bit of sacking, and began to think. Now he had all this money it was easy to move his Nonna from the city and carry her up, up, up, along the green and gracious ascent of the hills, and never stop until she could be set down under the peach-boughs and the walnut-leaves, where the little brimming brooks were running amidst the grass.

He opened the pretty bag again and poured the gold coins out upon the sacking. The moon-rays shone also upon them. He counted them. There were twenty. What they were worth he did not know; but a great deal he felt sure. With them Nonna would be able to buy their farm, and they could live happily there, both of them, for ever, seeing the blossoms and the fruits come and go.

He longed to wake her, but he dared not; one of the women had told him never to disturb her when she slept. How glad she would be when she did awake and heard that they could both go home! There was a carter who lived in the house; he would take them up in the hills, making a perch of hay in the cart for Nonna, that would be easy to do, when once they could give him a shining gold piece for his trouble. Once there, all the rest would follow of itself. When once she could see the green grass again, and see the buds on the fruit-trees, she would begin to move her limbs and get back her strength, and they would pay to have a priest say a mass in the church up amongst the olives, a mass of thanksgiving to the Madonna and Mamma Rosa.

He had only eaten a bit of black bread all the day, and his brain was a little dim, and his thoughts were not very clear. He had been walking about on the stones ever since morning, and his feet were aching, and his brow and lips were hot and dry, but he was so happy. The moon looked at him over the trees and seemed to smile; he lay down with his arms outstretched, so that they embraced the motionless body of his only friend, and his hands, clasping the little purse, rested upon the rugs which covered him.

"She will be so glad when she awakes," he thought; "when she awakes and hears we can go home."

Then he too fell asleep and dreamed of angels and fountains of gold and little red-throated birds singing among flowering fruit-trees, and grassy paths beneath the vines, and brown, rippling rivulets, and Mamma Rosa standing smiling with the sun about her feet, and saying: "Our Lady sent me."

Then his sleep became too deep for dreams, and he breathed deeply, unconsciously, while the moon passed upward and its light ceased to shine upon his face, and that of his Nonna. The clumping of feet on the brick floor aroused him; a rude hand clutched his shoulder and another hand seized the gold. "Here is the thief," said a brutal voice, "and here is the lady's purse."

"The little heartless wretch!" said a voice as rude. "Look! He is sitting here, he thinks, because the old woman is dead!"

THE END.

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THE PAST AND PRESENT OF "LITTLE BOBS": MAY HIS FUTURE BE AS BRILLIANT!

## The "P.P.P." Farmer. BY A FRESH HAND.

### An Ideal Fox-Terrier.

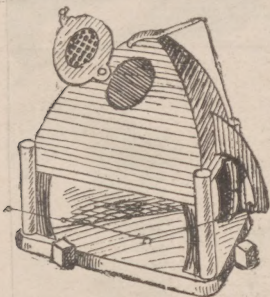
**B**EFORE giving a technical description of a fox-terrier—the most popular of all breeds—I may gratify the curiosity of my Langs correspondent by telling him that his terrier, of which he sends me a photo, is not of this species. It is a very moderate Welsh or old English terrier, but if he can produce a pedigree he should have no difficulty in selling it, for neither breed is at all common in his part of the country, and, just at present, there is a boom in Welsh terriers. A fox-terrier should present a gay, lively, and active appearance, of fair length, gradually widening to the hind end, and as regards head, the skull should be flat and moderately narrow, broader between the ears, and gradually decreasing in width to the eyes. Ears V-shaped and rather small, of moderate thickness and drooping forward close to the cheek. The jaw should be strong and muscular, but not too full in the cheek, of fair punishing length; nose black, tapering towards the muzzle. Eyes dark-rimmed, small, and rather deep-set; full of fire and life. Teeth level and strong, as nearly together as possible. Neck clean and muscular, no throatiness. Shoulders fine, long, and sloping; chest deep but not broad. A short back is always looked for in a good terrier, and the dog should be well ribbed up, not flat-sided, with broad and powerful loin, very slightly arched. Hind-quarters strong and muscular,



A FOX-TERRIER.

free from droop; thighs long and powerful; hocks near the ground and not straight in the stifle. The stern should be set on rather high and carried gaily, but not over the back; whilst the legs must be straight, strong in bone throughout, and feet round, compact, and not too large. As regards colour, white should predominate, brindle, red, or liver markings being objectionable. Disqualifying points are white or cherry-coloured nose, or one spotted with these colours; prick, tail, or cross ears; mouth over or under shot.

**Forming a Gun Club.**  
My correspondent, anxious to glean full particulars as to forming a gun club, should write to the secretary of the Manchester Gun Club, Old Trafford, or to the proprietor, Welsh Harp, Hendon, for there are many details of management that only such officials as those named can supply. If, however, he fails to get the desired information of the gentleman named, I will place him in communication with a private sportsman, who is a member of several old-established clubs, and he will, I know, gladly assist him, although, as he is at present in the South of France, my correspondent might have to wait some time for a reply. One or two hints which I am in a position to give may, however, be of service to my correspondent. In



TRAP FOR LIVE PIGEONS.

the first place, the ground should be very carefully selected, care being taken that there are no public footpaths in the line of fire, for services have a nasty way of using their guns. The secretary and manager should be an energetic and popular man, and the materials should be got from a thoroughly reliable firm. As regards traps for live birds, I know of no better pattern than the one illustrated, which is fitted with what is technically known as an astringent platform and cord. A set of five, costing about 27, will be ample for a small club of fifty members.

### Arab Horses.

One of the best ways of securing an Arab steed of unblemished pedigree is, I may tell my Beverley correspondent, to attend the annual sale of Mr. Wilfrid Blunt's surplus stock at Crabbet Park, Sussex. It is a bona-fide sale, and genuine bargains are to be had, for I have seen

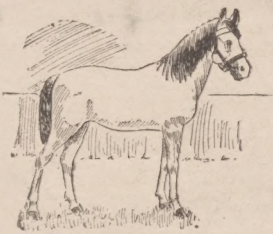


Young Husband: "Didn't I telegraph to you not to bring your mother with you?"  
Young Wife: "I know. That's what she wants to see you about. She sent the telegram."

THAT BROUGHT HER.

HE WENT.

many really excellent Arabs knocked down for less than fifty guineas. The plums of the sale are generally secured by Continental breeders; last summer, indeed, a Russian commission agent purchased very largely; but, as a rule, very useful animals can be bought much under the price named. If my correspondent is really serious in his determination to establish a stud in East Yorks, I would advise him to look out for Mr. Blunt's next sale. It is generally



AN ARAB STEED.

early in July. Lord A. Cecil also has a stud at Orchard-mains, Tonbridge, but it is not so strong as the one at Crabbet. At the latter, indeed, there is the finest collection of Arabs in the United Kingdom.

### Humane Trap.

Other inquiries have reached me respecting this contrivance. The manufacturers of the trap are the Cheap Wood Company, Bishopsgate Street, London, E.C.

### Chicken-Houses.

If "G. F. S." will write to Cuckbread and Co., Lansdown Works, Stroud, or to Fraser's Exors, Palace Plain, Norwich, he may get the pattern inquired about.

### Poultry-Marking.

Am obliged by Mr. D. Robert's seasonable greetings. If he will write to Mr. H. Allsop, 85, Spencer Street, Birmingham, he will be very readily supplied with full particulars as to marking all varieties of fowl.

### Winter Churning.

My Yorkshire correspondent must try a little higher temperature, according to the weather. It is impossible to tell at what heat cream will break, conditions being so varying. A very useful book is Professor Long's "Dairy-Farming." It can be bought in Halifax of Mr. King, who when I know the hilly old town kept a large bookseller's shop in Northgate, not far from the Town Hall.

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### IVORY.

I love her best with that soft touch of sadness  
in her eyes;  
The proud, sweet face, with softened look when  
tender memories rise;  
When blushes spread the downy cheek—the  
voice is soft and low.  
I love her always; only then she cannot  
dearer grow.

I love her when at woman's work her slender  
fingers move,  
And now and then her eyes will light with  
look of perfect love.  
'Tis sweet to know, whatever her task, that  
perfect love for me  
Fills every hour of every day, where'er my love  
may be.

But when the toil of day is past, and twilight  
shadows come,  
Her voice, so sweet and dear, will ring about  
the dear old home,  
Or she may whisper, with a kiss, "My love,  
I love you so."  
I love her always; only then she cannot  
dearer grow.

LONDON. W. E. HEARD.



Father (calling from the head of the stairs at 11.50 p.m.):  
"Jennie."  
Jennie: "Yes, Papa, what is it?"  
Father: "I wish you would ask that young man where he would like to have his box put when it comes."

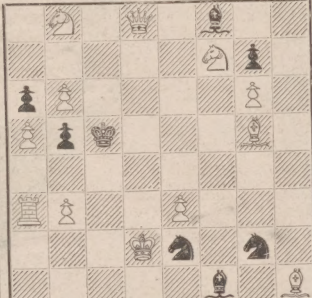
## CHESS.

CONDUCTED BY I. GUNSBURG.

M. W. SHAW.—If 1. B to K 2nd, K to R 5th; then 2. R to Q K 8th, etc.  
D. NAALINGHAM (Magapam).—The printed solution is wrong; it should be 1. Q to Q 2nd, K takes it; 2. Kt to B 5th, mate, etc. If 1. P to B 4th, then R to K 5th is the defence.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 302.  
1. P to B 6th K to K 5th 2. B to K 3rd Mate.  
1. " P to Q 4th 2. R to Kt 4th  
1. " P to K 5th 2. B to K 3rd "

PROBLEM No. 303.—By W. H. GUNDRY.  
BLACK (Eight Pieces).



WHITE (Twelve Pieces).

White to play, and mate in two moves.

Game from the Match now progressing at Moscow between

LEWITSKI and KULONSKI.

WHITE (Lewitski). BLACK (Kulonski).

1. P to K 4th P to K 4th

2. K Kt to B 3rd K Kt to B 2nd

3. Kt takes P P to Q 4th

The fashionable continuation

now is P to Q 4th. This may or

may not lead to a good game,

whereas the old method Kt takes

P, producing the normal varia-

tion in this defence, is just as

reliable as the normal variation

in the French defence.

4. P to Q 3rd P to Q 3rd

5. K Kt to B 3rd K takes P

6. K Kt to B 3rd K Kt to B 2nd

7. Kt takes P P to K 2nd

8. R to K 1st B to R K 5th

9. P to B 4th R generally played

here, but Dr. Tarnach prefers

P to B 3rd. It does not seem a

very active move.

10. Q to K 3rd P to B 4th

11. K Kt to Q 2nd Again standing in his own

White resigns.

## DRAUGHTS.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 264.—By T. TUNSBELL.

Black: 5, 8, 16, 13c, 31c.

White: 7, 15, 23, 30, 14c.

White to move, and win.

22-17 22-26 15-19 17-22 29-27

13-15 14-18 26-31 16-20

3-7 5-9 18-23 22-25 W. wins.

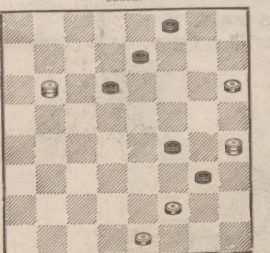
28-22 10-15 13-17 23-27

3-10 9-13 19-17 31-24

### PROBLEM No. 265.

By J. WILLIAMS (Ebbw Vale, Mon.).

BLACK.



WHITE.

Black to move, and win.

### GAME No. 216.

Played between Two "Holy Boys" (Bombay) and

Driver J. Ross, 70th B. R.E.A. (Bareilly).

The "Denny" ("")

10-14\* 12-19 14-18 12-16 5-14

22-17 26-22 24-30 11-7 2-6

7-10 7-11 4-8 16-20 14-18

17-13 30-26 20-16 7-12 10-15

3-7 2-7 15-12 10-14 18-22

24-20 22-17 16-11 17-10 10-15

11-15 7-10 18-23 22-13 31-24

28-24 26-28 28-22 13-6 20-27

15-19 17-16 19-24 1-10 20-27

24-15 20-11 29-19 25-18 15-19

10-19 8-15 15-24 10-14 22-26

23-16 27-24 22-18 18-9 Drawn

Two "Holy Boys" played Black.

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peditions. Insist on having "Cadbury's" or other Cocos are

sometimes substituted for the sake of extra profit. (ADVT.)

## Rosalind's Fashions.



**N**OW fervently do we wish one another a Happy New Year this January of 1900—how deeply we hope the bells that ring in the birth of a new century may prove bells of joy and of peace, dispersing the gloom of misfortune, dissatisfaction, and bitterness which has hung over the closing days of the old year; though we would not, if we could, forget to sorrow for the noble dead, which must ever remain—even in the happier hours we hope for—with bitter regrets for the sacrifice so readily and cheerfully given.

The Beginning of the Year is not over yet notable for novelty or much activity in the world of fashion. It is usually a matter of "as a new were," and so remains till the January sales are well disposed of, which, having "cleared decks," make space for the new-comers in models, and fresh stock in general. Nevertheless, the modish world is not a complete desert, and a tour of inspection through the atteliers of the modish elect discloses many fresh and pretty models of all kinds, and my followers sketches should prove the claims of three at least for consideration.



A NEW HAT FOR THE NEW YEAR.

**F**ig. 1 illustrates one of the new hat-shapes of cloth in layers, so to say, one above the other, tucked fashion, and about an inch in depth. My example was a violet cloth, the crown entirely encircled by bouquets—or one might say, "market" bunches of violets.



NOVEL EVENING CAPE.

with their leaves. One big bunch tops the others on the left side, and is supplemented there by a white egret of ill-imitated copy.

There is No End to the variety and beauty of evening caps and wraps in all directions. I have interviewed for some long time one of the newest-looking I have seen in Fig. 2. This is of Oriental velvet, that artistic variety of many shades, forming the pattern. This is lined with white satin, and is daintily trimmed with a foamy ruff collar and frons of cream chiffon and full flounce of the same edging the bottom of the cape, while half-way up an insertion of white satin about five inches deep is covered with cream lace.



SMART BLACK AND WHITE GOWN.

**F**ig. 3 deals with a new model so composed. It is of fine black cloth with a tunic skirt, and slightly puffed bodice. The latter is worn over a tucked yoke of white satin, and has a double shoulder collar, the first of black cloth only, the second with a border about three inches wide of white satin, overlaid with black guipure lace, a strip of the same border, centring the front of the bodice from beneath the collar. The sleeve and edge of tunic are both finished by the black lace, and the waist encircled by a narrow black velvet band with tie on the left side, the effect of the whole being thoroughly smart, and in the best possible taste.

## THE WORLD OF PASTIME.

## ADVANCE, SOUTH AFRICA!

**U**nder British rule, of course. There must indeed be great hope of a country where in time of war, our two great games of summer and winter can be carried on at the same time. It must be a new experience for many of our gallant defenders, and so far as regards those who have performed to remain idle as prisoners at Pretoria, must be a real blessing, enabling them for the time being to forget the cruel fate which has deprived them of the opportunity of working.

## For Queen and Country.

Their release may come about sooner than expected. I fancy even now that I can see Mr. Joss waving and longing to join in a game of "friendly rivalry" with those who know how to forget and forgive as readily as they carry arms when fighting in a good cause. We are nearly all.

## Football

Here just at the present time. There is some cross-country running and a little golf, but "football" reigns supreme. Blackheath v. Coventry was the attraction at the Rectory Field on the last day of 1899 for football, and the match, easily won by Blackheath, produced a display of place kicking on the part of W. L. Rogers for the winning side that has seldom been surpassed. All five tries gained for the Londoners were by him converted into goals. The visitors ran in three times, and one try was turned into a goal. Richmond entertained the Etonian-Loretians on Saturday, and the Scotsmen found their hosts not difficult to beat. For them A. R. Smith, the London Scottish three-quarter, again showed qualities which fairly entitle him to be considered the best centre three-quarter now playing. By 16 points to nothing the Scotsmen's victory was gained, a balance which helped them to take the field with much confidence against Blackheath on Monday.

## One-Sided Rugby Matches

were rather numerous on Saturday. Newport beat Monmouthshire League by 25 points to 5; Marlborough Nomads against Old Leysians scored 47 points to none; Swansea beat Dublin Old Wesley by four goals and a try to nothing; Gloucester beat Penarth by 29 points to none; and Devonport Albion beat Keighley by two goals and four tries to a try. A goal and two tries to a try was the result of the match between Leicester and Exeter, the higher score being made by the former.

## Sheffield United again Victorious.

This time the Sheffield team playing at Bramall Lane beat Everton easily, and there was a satisfactory gate of 11,000. Aston Villa also had an easy task, against Sunderland, and Wolverhampton Wanderers beat Bury. In the Second Division League matches, the leaders, Leicester Fosse, and Woolwich Arsenal against them. Neither side proved able to score, and upon such a result Woolwich Arsenal are to be congratulated, especially as they were the visitors.

## Southern League.

In all six matches played in this competition the winners scored two goals. Southampton beat New Brighton, Queen's Park Rangers beat Thames Ironworks, Swindon Town beat Bristol City, Tottenham Hotspur beat Millwall, Bristol Rovers beat Reading, and Portsmouth beat Chatham.

## "Wisden."

For this single word "John Wisden's Cricketers' Almanack" is known practically throughout the cricket world. The issue for the present year is the thirty-seventh, and it may well be declared to be the best of the series. It contains concise and clear particulars of all the important matches played during the season of 1899, including, of course, those in which the Australians engaged. Lord Harris and Mr. A. G. Steel write with authority on subjects of "Suggested Reforms," and Mr. W. J. Ford deals comprehensively with Public School Cricket in 1899. The care and trouble taken in the editing



GENERAL H.R.H. THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.  
WHO SUCCEEDS LORD ROBERTS TO COMMAND FORCES IN IRELAND.

See "How the World Wags."

of this history—indeed, something more than this, for full scores and bowling analyses are given—of the past season's cricket is evident throughout, and Mr. Sydney H. Panton, the editor and John Wisden and Co., the publishers, may rest assured that they have increased the number of their cricket friends.

John Chinaman and the Dunlop Tyre.

The Dunlop tyre is looking up. Witness this extract from

Commerce respecting the Chinese Minister's visit to Coventry: "The next firm whose premises were to be inspected were those of the Dunlop Pneumatic Tyre Company, and here, as in the case of those already visited, His Excellency made the most diligent inquiry into everything pertaining to the manufacture. The duties of engineers were in this instance undertaken by Messrs. George and William du Cros and Mr. J. Gooding, and these gentlemen were indefatigable in explaining any and every point of

interest which appeared to need elucidation. But perhaps the most interesting experience of the day, in some sense, was when the Messrs. du Cros proceeded to conduct the party to the fire-station, where the alarm bell was rung and his Excellency had an opportunity of seeing how quickly a fire-engine can get under weigh."

BANSHEE.

## To Arms!

By JOSEPH VEREY.

**T**he call is "To Arms!" Britons answer the call  
From factory, mart, and baronial hall;  
In palace of marble and lowly thatched roof  
No prince, peer, or peasant now lingers aloof.  
The hunter abandons his passion of sport,  
The noble is careless of pleasures of Court,  
And the signal of danger is met with a smile  
Through the length and the breadth of our glorious isle.

From bleak windy headlands the shepherds come down  
To mingle with dwellers of village and town;  
In ranks of battle they seek their doubtful foe,  
Stands shoulder to shoulder with men from the brook.  
And foremost of all are the brave Volunteers,  
Marching on to the front amidst clanking clappers;  
Not drawing-room soldiers, but Englishmen bold  
As their valiant fathers who conquered of old.

Like a rock all unshaken by turbulent waves,  
England flings back the insults of conscripts and slaves,  
And despots and tyrants who seek her downfall  
"To Arms!" Hark! the People respond to the call.  
Their land to defend and their freedom and rights,  
As they fought in the past they are ready to fight,  
The honour of Britain once more to renew  
As at glorious Trafalgar and force Waterloo.

The Frenchman may sneer and the Teuton may smile,  
But the waves that surround our inviolate isle  
Shall the Spanish Armada dissolve like a cloud:  
While for centuries past, self-reliant and proud,  
We have held with the strong grip of giants the land  
Which Heaven permitted our race to command.  
And to-day a great people assemble serene  
Defending their altars, their homes, and their Queen.

Let the banner of England again be unfurled,  
Like our forefathers we will defy the whole world!  
No red revolution has sullied our streets,  
No Communism enacted its blood-thirsty feasts;  
But in every clime, and to earth's farthest wave,  
We have cast down the tyrant and set free the slave;  
Our deeds will speak for us—the good we have done  
Will preserve the great Empire our ancestors won.

Mr. Henry Vaughan, of 28, Cumberland Terrace, Regent's Park, who died on Nov. 20, last, aged ninety years, and whose estate has been valued at £250,000 less £11, bequeathed by his will of Aug. 11, 1899, over £100,000 to charities.

A Service for the Dead who have been killed or have died of disease during the war in South Africa was held last Sunday at the English Church of All Saints, in Rome. Lord Curzon, the British Ambassador, was present, and there was a large attendance of the British colony. The Rev. Mr. Oxenham delivered a sermon suitable to the occasion.

A "Livingstone" Exhibition. A so-called "Livingstone" exhibition opened at the St. Martin's Town Hall last Monday. Its connection with the famous missionary and trader is only in the loan collection of Livingstone relics, including his sextant, Bible, journals, pistols, magnetic instruments, and autograph maps. The rest of the exhibition is apparently devoted to purposes of trade, articles of all kinds for the use of travellers in the tropics, useful enough in themselves, constituting the display.

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## THE WORLD OF WOMEN.

**T**HE New Year has been born in sorrow and anxiety; but hope mingles with both, for out of sorrow will come joy, and out of the blighting blast of war will come, we all trust, the blessings of liberty and justice. And so in our island home has already come the knowledge that in those far-off lands where our brothers and sisters have made their homes,

**Hands Have Been Outstretched in Love,** and substantial help in the hour of need. War is a terrible thing, but it brings out much hidden greatness in men, and we need only to watch the response of thousands to the sudden "call to arms" to understand what love and sympathy are doing for us at home and abroad. Everyone in England and in the Colonies, from the Queen down to the most insignificant of her subjects, is trying to do something for our brave men at the front. It was a kind and gracious act

## On the Part of Her Majesty

to give a Christmas entertainment at Windsor to the wives and children of the men now on active service in Africa, and to make the kindness all the more complete, the gracious and venerable lady who has been Queen of England for over sixty years sent carriages to fetch her guests, and sent them back to their homes when the entertainment was over. An eye-witness has told me that such a Christmas-tree has never been seen in England. It reached from floor to ceiling in the great hall—St. George's—at Windsor Castle; it was lighted with electric lamps, as well as with the little wax tapers, and there were four stout firemen ready for any emergency which might happen. A high tea

was provided, and everything good to eat was in profusion; but it was

## The Queen's Daughters,

daughters-in-law, and grandchildren who waited on the guests. When the feast was over, and before the distribution of the presents from the tree, Her Majesty was wheeled slowly in her chair round the table, and she had kind words to say to all her guests; and later, with her own hands, she gave presents to some of the women and children. It is by such kindly and sympathetic acts that

## The Royal Family of England

has endeared itself to the nation, and the nation's boundless loyalty has been shown by the enthusiastic outburst of patriotism which the troubles in South Africa have called forth. And now from the stirring and interesting events which have brought the Old Year to a close, I must pass to the dressy side of life, and remind my readers that before these lines are in print

## The "Winter Sales"

will be in full swing, and, owing to the fact that many people are in mourning just now, the coloured dresses, mantles, capes, jackets, hats, and toques will be considerably reduced in price. On the opening day of the sale at Redmayne's there were at least six hundred blouses and shirts to select from, and the capes, mantles, and jackets are really both good and cheap. The made-up costumes must be cleared, for those that were the height of the fashion two months ago will be less popular by-and-by, and I hear rumours that

## The Old Housemaid Skirt is About to be Revived.

but pleaded into the band instead of gathered. Faced cloths, which have been so long in favour, will, I am told, give way in the late winter to the more elegant and rough variety. A smooth cloth is not very pretty, and it has one bad quality—it is very cold. I remember that I once had a faced-cloth dress, and I never could get warm in it. Now, a rough, hairy cloth, such as



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## Pretty Hats and Toques

on sale at half a guinea each, and remarkably neat bonnets at 16s. 11d. Some of her bonnets are also half a guinea. There is nothing new in the shape or the style of headgear just now, and toques are still more popular than either hats or bonnets.

In the *Lady's Pictorial* for Dec. 30 will be found full descriptions of the many bargains which can be had just now at the leading London drapers.

## Smart Women

who go to theatres to study the fashions must be particularly struck with the beautiful gown worn by Miss Millard in "Miss Hobbs" at the Duke of York's. The *Lady's Pictorial* describes this gown as of pale blue panne, bordered with trails of roses, whose pale pink petals break out from a background of mauve and blue Indian paillettes, the side panels and the bolero being in tucked blue chiffon, and the lovely effect being completed by a fichu bow of pale net, fastened with one great yellow rose and fringed with pink paillettes.

Several correspondents have asked me if "there is anything new in Christmas or Twelfth Night games." Not much, I fear, is there in the way of novelty. A variation upon our very old favourite, "Consequences," is new to me. It is called

## Personal Consequences.

and it is played in the old way, except that everything is spoken instead of being written. If a player is not ready or in any way slow to reply, or, rather, to miss his or her turn, a forfeit must be paid.

## Charades and Dumb Crambo

never lose their popularity, chiefly, I think, because young people love to dress up.

## Potato Races

cause much merriment. The endeavour to pick up a very large potato upon a very small spoon is an endless source of fun to young and old. At this moment I do not know the exact rules of the game, but by next week I may be able to give them. We hardly ever hear now of the old-fashioned

## Twelfth-Night Parties,

at which a king and queen of the revels used to be chosen. The custom used also to give opportunities for dressing up, and it might be revived with good effect. I fear that a great many children of the present time are not sufficiently

## Childlike

to enjoy the games that pleased their parents when they were young. A few recitations by the young people make a pleasant interlude at a dancing-party; and both boys and girls should be encouraged to learn suitable pieces, not for the purpose of showing off, but for exercise of memory and for the

## Cure of Shyness.

But, after all, there is nothing better than a merry dance. It is healthful and very pretty, and all little girls and boys should be taught to dance. And if a boy has any ear and taste for music he should be taught to play the piano. He need not become a showy performer, but he will find it agreeable, when he grows up, to be able to play

## Dance-Music,

or to accompany a friend in a song. I must now once more wish all my kind friends a good, and, I hope, a prosperous New Year. If it opens in gloom to some, I trust it will end in brightness and peace; but, even should gloom deepen, and trial and trouble increase, all can be borne bravely if we ever remember that life upon earth is but a training-school for the life that lies beyond the grave.

For a change, I quote one of the most touching poems of London life I have read for some time—a poem which proves the writer to be a very kind-hearted man, and which should stimulate thousands of readers to hurry up with their shilling addition to the well and promptly administered *Daily Telegraph War Relief Fund*

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What, 'arf a dollar? Selp me; are you the Prince of Wales."

Or maybe Barin Rofschild, what they writes about in tles? Gawn! bless yer, Kernal, this 'ere means a bit o' tiro for weeks."

And summat 'ot for muver!'" and the tears ran down his cheeks.

"The old gal won't think I've pinched it, 'cos she knows I'm runnin' strite."

Why, she'd git a fit o' fright, Sir, if I only stoyd out lite! Battle, Sir! Well, I believe yer! Here's a full list o' the dead:

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No, Sir, I ain't no scholar, but I gets a pal to see Before I tikes the paper 'ome for seven-nine-sixty-three. Would yer mind just a-lookin' for me? 'Ulo! Wot makes yer cry!"

'Ave you found out you've lost a pal? Well, some 'as got to die."

Wot! You've got my farver's number! No! For Gawd's sake s'y you're kiddin'!"

He dropped his papers in the street, his little face was hidden.

Then lifting up his head, he cried, "Oh, tell us it's anuvver!"

I can't go 'ome and break the news, it's sure to settle muver."

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